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## Stones River News Release

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### **VOLUNTEERS TO RESTORE FORTRESS ROSECRANS AND GREENWAY ON NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY**

Stones River National Battlefield, Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department, and the Friends of the Greenway are seeking volunteers to help preserve and restore Fortress Rosecrans, and restore habitat along the Stones River Greenway on National Public Lands Day, September 30, 2006. Volunteers will remove invasive exotic plants, plant native plants, and remove trash. This year's project will build on work conducted at this site since 1994. Be a part of this long-term commitment to improving our community by joining us at the Old Fort Park picnic pavilion on Saturday, September 30, 2006 from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

National Public Lands Day began in 1994. This year's event will be the biggest yet. Organizers expect to top last year's 90,000 volunteers at 600 sites across America. Each year the event helps improve famous locations where Americans explore, learn, hike, bike, climb, swim, picnic, or just plain relax. The experience keeps alive the legacy of the 1930s-era Civilian Conservation Corps, which enrolled 3 million Americans in improving public lands.

Make a valuable contribution to your community by participating in this annual event. Come out and join us in preserving and restoring our cultural and natural heritage for future generations. The project will begin at 8:30 AM at the Old Fort Park picnic pavilion across from the Overall Street greenway trailhead. **Wear long pants and sturdy shoes and bring work gloves.** Snacks and lunch will be provided for all participants when the project concludes at 12:30 PM.

For more information or to register in advance, call Stones River National Battlefield at 615-893-9501.

Stones River National Battlefield, like the Great Smoky Mountains, the Statue of Liberty, and Yellowstone, is one of 390 national park areas in the country. The park preserves a portion of a major Civil War battlefield along with Stones River National Cemetery, and the remnants of Fortress Rosecrans. It is located three miles northwest of downtown Murfreesboro at 3501 Old Nashville Highway.



## NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY AT OLD FORT PARK AND STONES RIVER NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD

- WHAT:** Remove invasive exotic plants, plant native plants, and remove trash from Fortress Rosecrans and a portion of Stones River Greenway. **Wear long pants and sturdy shoes and bring work gloves.**
- WHEN:** Saturday, September 30, 2006 from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.
- WHERE:** Old Fort Park/Fortress Rosecrans, meet at the picnic pavilions on Overall Street.
- RAIN DATE:** Saturday, October 7.
- CONTACT:** Terri Hogan, Stones River National Battlefield at (615) 893-9501, FAX (615) 893-9508 or Angela Jackson, Murfreesboro Department of Parks and Recreation at (615) 893-2141, FAX (615) 849-2648.

Please call 615-893-9501 to register or if you have questions.

For more information about National Public Lands Day , go to [www.publiclandsday.org](http://www.publiclandsday.org), or call 800-VOLUNTEER (800-865-8337).